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**From:** Beckley, Patrick [Beckley.Patrick@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 3/28/2023 12:56:18 PM  
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**Subject:** RE: SPOT REPORT #2 - Release of Acrylic Polymer in Bristol, Bucks County, PA

Hi Arlin,

The 3 keys to trigger GDC are :

- Knowing the hazards posed by the chemicals and assessing the impacts of possible releases
- **Designing and maintaining a safe facility to prevent accidental releases**
- Minimizing the consequences of accidental releases that do occur.

Acrylic polymers are not RMP regulated substances usually.

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**From:** Galarza-Hernandez, Arlin <Galarza-Hernandez.Arlin@epa.gov>  
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Attached are all the reports that have come into the NRC log related to this spill. Also, I do not see latex listed in the List of Lists, so definitely no RQ for latex under EPCRA. But, I see that an SDS was provided by the facility, so I will get a copy to check the components of the latex and will forward once I have it.

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**From:** Longenecker-Wright, Zoe <[LongeneckerWright.Zoe@epa.gov](mailto:LongeneckerWright.Zoe@epa.gov)>  
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I am not seeing them listed in CDX so they are not currently registered (from my quick search). In terms of GDC I can check but I believe I need to know the exact chemicals released to do so. I see acrylic polymer and latex listed but not sure what exactly was spilled.

Terri do you have the release info from a report that has more detail or is that enough to exclude it from our list of lists. (New to identifying GDC stuff...)

-Zoe

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Hi Zoe and Liam,  
Could any of you let me know if the facility below is an RMP or GDC? Thanks.



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Good morning,  
Patrick, is Trinseo PLC an RPM/GDC facility?  
Terry, can you review from an EPCRA perspective?  
Thank you.

News link:

<https://6abc.com/coast-guard-us-environmental-protection-agency-pennsylvania-department-of-fish-and-boat-commission/13014583/>



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A release of acrylic polymer from a facility in Bristol has impacted Otter Creek and the Delaware River. The incident occurred in USCG jurisdiction. An EPA OSC responded today to assess conditions and coordinate with local, state, and federal officials. USCG Sector Delaware Bay is providing the Federal On Scene Coordinator representative for this incident. PA DEP is on scene. The facility has not performed prompt and effective mitigation actions. The USCG has initiated a federally funded response in coordination with limited actions by other parties. Another company, which owns the outfall location, has been cooperative and is providing resources. Drinking water facilities have been notified and have been monitoring their intakes. The release into the waterways has not been completely secured. USCG is the lead federal Agency. EPA has participated in calls today with federal and state partners including EPA Region II and NJ DEP. EPA has offered assistance, if needed.

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